

distribution at the very close of the year. A similar apology was made last year by the retiring Council, with regard to the part published by them, and led to a lively discussion at the annual meeting as to the necessity of an earlier publication. Your Council was most anxious to carry out the wishes of the Club in this direction, but found it impossible to be more prompt than their predecessors. The question of future publication has, however, been carefully considered, and a scheme is now presented, which, if it meet with your approval, will ensure not only an earlier publication, but also a more complete record of the work of the Club, and bring it more prominently before the members and the public. It is proposed that publication shall be monthly, instead of annually, and there appears to be much in favour of this step, while the only objection seems to be the additional expense which may be involved. It is found that to publish a journal of 16 pages each month will cost about \$100 a year over the average cost of the last three numbers of the Transactions. This sum will be readily raised if each member will use his or her influence in bringing others into the Club, or by inducing them to become subscribers to the proposed journal.

The following are some of the advantages which will accrue from the suggested method of publishing :—The members receiving the numbers regularly will have the objects of the Club kept before them, and as reports of all meetings, excursions, sub-excursions, soirees and other proceedings will be printed, in addition to the papers and reports now published, they will be kept posted as to the work being performed, and will have their interest therein aroused and strengthened. This will more especially be the case with such members as do not reside in the city, or are prevented from attending the excursions and meetings. These have now to wait for at least several months before they receive the Transactions, and they have no regular means of learning anything further regarding the excursions and classes than the meagre synopsis which appears in the Annual Report of the Council. Information can also be regularly given as to proposed excursions, soirees, classes or other undertakings of the Club. Kindred societies with which we exchange will see that the Club is vigorous, and desirous of making its publications